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Whitehal, April 19. His Majesty was pleased this Afternoon, to make the following Order in Council.

At the Court at Whitehal *this 19th day of* April, 1682.

By His Majesty, and the Lords of His Majesties most Honourable Privy Council.

WHereas the appointing of *Publique Fasts and Thanksgivings is Matter of State, and belongs only to His Majesty by His Prerogative; and His Majesty being informed, That in the City of* London, *Invitations have been made of great and unusual numbers, by Printed Tickets, one of which is hereunto annext: His Majesty looks upon the same as an insolent Attempt, in manifest derogation of His Right, and of dangerous consequence. The Matter of the said Invitation being of a publique Nature, and the manner of carrying it on, tending to Sedition, and raising Distinctions and Confederacies amongst His Subjects, against the known Laws and Peace of the Kingdom; His Majesty therefore by the Advice of His Council, hath thought fit, and doth hereby strictly Charge and Command the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of* London, *as they will answer the contrary at their peril, to take immediate and effectual care to prevent and hinder the said Meeting, as an unlawful Assembly; and all Sheriffs, Constables, and other His Majesties Officers in the said City, are hereby Commanded to be aiding and assisting therein.*

The Coppy of the Ticket above-mentioned.

IT having pleased Almighty God by his wonderful Providence, to Deliver and Protect His Majesties Person, the Protestant Religion, and English Liberties (hitherto) from the Hellish and frequent Attempts of their Enemies (the Papists:) In testimony of Thankfulness herein, and for the preserving and improving mutual Love and Charity among such as are sensible thereof, You are desired to meet many of the Loyal Protestant Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Citizens, on Friday the 21 day of this instant *April*, 1682. at Ten of the clock, at *St. Michaels Church* in *Cornhil*, there to hear a Sermon, and from thence to go to *Haberdashers-Hall* to Dinner; and to bring this Ticket with you.

Whitehal, April 17. There having been false Copies of the following Letter from the Bishops of *Scotland*, lately published without Authority; it is though fit for the undeceiving of the Publick, to Print it according to the Original, directed to his Grace the Lord Arch-Bishop of *Canterbury*.

Edenburg, March 9. 1682.

May it please your Grace,

HIs Royal Highness having parted from this, on Monday *last, being called by the King to attend His Majesty at* Newmarket; *We should prove very defective in Duty and Gratitude, if upon this occasion, we should forget to acknowledg to your Grace, how much this poor Church, and our Order, do owe to his Princely Care and Goodness, that His Majesty, and the worthy Bishops of* England, *may from you receive the just accounts thereof.*

Since his Royal Highness coming unto this Kingdom, we find our Case much changed to the better, and our Church and Order (which though the cunning and power of their Adversaries, were exposed to extream hazard and contempt) sensibly Relieved and Rescued; which, next to the watchful Providence of God, (that mercifully superintends his Church) we can ascribe to nothing so much, as to his Royal Highness gracious owning and vigilant Protection of us.

Upon all occasions he gives fresh instances of his eminent Zeal against the most unreasonable Schism, which by Renting, threatens the Subversion of our Church and Religion, and concerns himself as a Patron to us, in all our publick and even personal Interests, so that all Men take notice of his signal Kindness to us, and observe that he looks upon the Enemies of the Church, as Adversaries to the Monarchy it self: Nor did we ever propose or offer to his Royal Highness any rational Expedient, which might conduce for the Relief, or Security of the Church, which he did not readily Embrace and Effectuate.

The Peace and Tranquility of this Kingdom, is the effect of his prudent and steddy Conduct of Affairs; and the humours of our wicked Phanaticks are much restrained from dangerous Eruptions, upon their apprehensions of his Vigilance and Justice: For they dread nothing so much as to see him upon the Head of His Majesties Councels and Forces against them.

We hope your Grace will make our dutiful Acknowledgments to his Royal Highness, for all his Princely Favours to us, and give him the most firm assurance of our most sincere endeavours to serve him, and of our most fervent prayers for his Temporal and Eternal Happiness, as the bounden Duty of, may it please your Grace,

Your Graces most Humble and Faithful Servants.

Alex. St. *And.*	*Arth. Glascuens.*
Jo. Edinburgens.	*Ja. Gallovidiens*
And. Dunkelden,	*Geo. Brechin.*
Jam. Dumblanen..	

Whitehal, April 17. The follwing Addresses have been presented to His Majesty, and were very graciously received by His Majesty.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

THe Bayliff and Capital Burgesses of your Majesties antient Burrough of Leominster, *in Common Council Assembled, do conceive our Selves deeply obliged in Conscience, Duty, and Loyalty to your Sacred Majesty, openly hereby to Declare (as every faithful Subject ought to do, lest silence should imply a consent) our utmost Detestation, and Abhorrence of that most Treasonable, and most pernicious* Association, *lately found in the Earl of* Shaftesbury's *House, timely discover'd by your Majesties great prudence, and seasonably publish'd to your whole Kingdom, by your Majesties Command; upon perusal of which said most Horrid and Treasonable* Association, *we consider the Form and Matter thereof with Horror and Amazement, to find the scope and ultimate end thereof to be no other, but utterly to destroy your Sacred Majesty, together with Monarchy it self; notwithstanding it speciously begins with the old Hypocritical Fuggle, and pretence of Defending your Sacred Person. We do therefore now unanimously Declare, and most solemnly Protest and*

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